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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-15. (Canceled)

16. (Currently Amended) A method for making a sealing or gasket material for a fuel cell seal, which comprises:

kneading a rubber composition;

molding [[a]] <u>said</u> rubber composition into said sealing or gasket material by liquid injection molding; <u>and</u>

crosslinking said molded sealing or gasket material;

wherein said rubber composition comprises:

an ethylene/ α -olefin/non-conjugated polyene copolymer (A), wherein the ethylene/ α -olefin/non-conjugated polyene copolymer (A) has:

- (i) a mass ratio of ethylene to an α -olefin of 3 to 20 carbon atoms (etheylene/ α -olefin) of 35/65 to 95/5;
 - (ii) an iodine value of 0.5 to 50;
- (iii) an intrinsic viscosity (η) of 0.01 to less than 0.3 dl/g as measured in decalin at 135°C; and
- (iv) constituent units of non-conjugated polyene derived from at least one norbornene compound represented by the following formula (I) or (II):

$$(CH_2)_n$$
 $C=CH_2$

wherein n is an integer of 0 to 10, R¹ is a hydrogen atom or an alkyl group of 1 to 10 carbon atoms, and R² is a hydrogen atom or an alkyl group of 1 to 5 carbon atoms;

$$CH_2$$
 R^3

...(II)

...(I)

wherein R³ is a hydrogen atom or an alkyl group of 1 to 10 carbon atoms;

an organopolysiloxane (B) having an average composition formula of $R^1_t SiO_{(4-t)/2}$ wherein R^1 is an unsubstituted or substituted monovalent hydrocarbon group and t is a number ranging from 1.9 to 2.1;

an SiH group-containing compound (C);

a catalyst (D); and

a reaction inhibitor (E), and

said copolymer (A) and said organopolysiloxane (B) having a weight ratio ((A)/(B)) of 100:0 to 5:95.

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17. (Currently Amended) A method for making a top cover gasket for a hard disk driver, which comprises:

kneading a rubber composition;

molding [[a]] <u>said</u> rubber composition into said top cover gasket by liquid injection molding; <u>and</u>

crosslinking said top cover gasket;

wherein said rubber composition comprises:

an ethylene/ α -olefin/non-conjugated polyene copolymer (A), wherein the ethylene/ α -olefin/non-conjugated polyene copolymer (A) has:

- (i) a mass ratio of ethylene to an α -olefin of 3 to 20 carbon atoms (etheylene/ α -olefin) of 35/65 to 95/5;
 - (ii) an iodine value of 0.5 to 50;
- (iii) an intrinsic viscosity (η) of 0.01 to less than 0.3 dl/g as measured in decalin at 135°C; and
- (iv) constituent units of non-conjugated polyene derived from at least one norbornene compound represented by the following formula (I) or (II):

$$R^2$$
 $C=CH_2$
 R^1
...(I)

wherein n is an integer of 0 to 10, R^1 is a hydrogen atom or an alkyl group of 1 to 10 carbon atoms, and R^2 is a hydrogen atom or an alkyl group of 1 to 5 carbon atoms;

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...(II)

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wherein R³ is a hydrogen atom or an alkyl group of 1 to 10 carbon atoms;

an organopolysiloxane (B) having an average composition formula of $R^{1}_{t}SiO_{(4-t)/2}$ wherein R^{1} is an unsubstituted or substituted monovalent hydrocarbon group and t is a number ranging from 1.9 to 2.1;

an SiH group-containing compound (C);

a catalyst (D); and

a reaction inhibitor (E), and

said copolymer (A) and said organopolysiloxane (B) having a weight ratio ((A)/(B)) of 100:0 to 5:95.

18-21. (Canceled)

- 22. (New) The method according to claim 16, wherein the molding and crosslinking are carried out consecutively.
- 23. (New) The method according to claim 16, wherein the molding and crosslinking are carried out simultaneously.

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24. (New) The method according to claim 17, wherein the molding and crosslinking are

carried out consecutively.

25. (New) The method according to claim 17, wherein the molding and crosslinking are

carried out simultaneously.

26. (New) The method according to claim 22, wherein the crosslinking is carried out in a

vulcanization tank using hot air, a fluidized bed, ultra-high frequency electromagnetic waves or

steam.

27. (New) The method according to claim 24, wherein the crosslinking is carried out in a

vulcanization tank using hot air, a fluidized bed, ultra-high frequency electromagnetic waves or

steam.

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